



October 15th



On this day in...

2015: Strong thunderstorms generated gusty and damaging winds estimated at least 60 mph along the western side of the Salton Sea. Winds blew down over 10 power poles several miles to the northwest of the town of Salton City. Unseasonable high pressure and warm ocean waters led to very warm October days and the warmest October nights on record from 10/10 through this day. In San Diego, five out of the six highest October minimum temperatures on record occurred. The highest minimum temperature in any October was 76° on 10/10 and again on 10/13. This is only two degrees off the highest minimum temperature for any time of year! (Only seven nights in history recorded 77 or 78°, all of which occurred during September, meaning these October nights were warmer than any night in July or August in San Diego). On 10/10 the highest minimum temperature in October was also recorded in Chula Vista (73, only three degrees off all-time highest), Oceanside Harbor (74, only two degrees off all-time highest), and El Cajon (tied 69). On 10/13 Santa Ana recorded 78°, the highest October minimum temperature on record. The top six warmest October nights on the Chula Vista record occurred this month, and the top five in El Cajon occurred this month.

1961: Hot Santa Ana winds drove temperatures skyward at the coast for a second consecutive day, reaching 104° in Santa Ana, 102° in San Bernardino, Riverside, and La Mesa, 100° in Laguna Beach, 97° in San Diego, and 93° in Newport Beach.